# NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Star Micronics Co., Ltd. and Consolidated Subsidiaries Years ended February 28, 2011 and 2010

### 1. BASIS OF PRESENTING CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The accompanying consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions set forth in the Japanese Financial Instruments and Exchange Act and its related accounting regulations, and in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in Japan ("Japanese GAAP"), which are different in certain respects as to application and disclosure requirements of International Financial Reporting Standards.

In preparing these consolidated financial statements, certain reclassifications and rearrangements have been made to the consolidated financial statements issued domestically in order to present them in a form which is more familiar to readers outside of Japan.

In addition, certain reclassifications have been made in the 2010 consolidated financial statements to conform to the classifications used in 2011.

The consolidated financial statements are stated in Japanese yen, the currency of the country in which Star Micronics Co., Ltd. (the "Company") is incorporated and operates. The translation of Japanese yen amounts into U.S. dollar amounts is included solely for the convenience of readers outside Japan and have been made at the rate of ¥82 to \$1, the approximate rate of exchange at February 28, 2011. Such translation should not be construed as representation that the Japanese yen amounts could be converted into U.S. dollars at that or any other rate.

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### a. Consolidation

The consolidated financial statements as of February 28, 2011 include the accounts of the Company and its 18 significant (18 in 2010) subsidiaries (together, the "Group").

Under the control or influence concept, those companies in which the Company, directly or indirectly, is able to exercise control over operations are fully consolidated, and those companies over which the Group has the ability to exercise significant influence are accounted for by the equity method.

Investments in the unconsolidated subsidiaries and associated companies are stated at cost. If the equity method of accounting had been applied to the investments in these companies, the effect on the accompanying consolidated financial statements would not be material.

The fiscal periods of consolidated subsidiaries in Japan end at the end of February, and those of consolidated subsidiaries outside of Japan end on December 31. In preparing the consolidated financial statements, financial statements as of December 31 are used as to foreign consolidated subsidiaries. However, necessary adjustments are made in the consolidation process concerning significant transactions that occurred for the period from January 1 to the end of February.

All significant intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation. All material unrealized profit included in assets resulting from transactions within the Group is eliminated.

# b. Unification of Accounting Policies Applied to Foreign Subsidiaries for the Consolidated Financial Statements

In May 2006, the Accounting Standards Board of Japan (the "ASBJ") issued ASBJ Practical Issues Task Force (PITF) No. 18, "Practical Solution on Unification of Accounting Policies Applied to Foreign Subsidiaries for the Consolidated Financial Statements". PITF No. 18 prescribes: (1) the accounting policies and procedures applied to a parent company and its subsidiaries for similar transactions and events under similar circumstances should in principle be unified for the preparation of the consolidated financial statements, (2) financial statements prepared by foreign subsidiaries in accordance with either International Financial Reporting Standards or the generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America tentatively may be used for the consolidation process, (3) however, the following items should be adjusted in the consolidation process so that net income is accounted for in accordance with Japanese GAAP unless they are not material: 1) amortization of goodwill; 2) scheduled amortization of actuarial gain or loss of pensions that has been directly recorded in the equity; 3) expensing capitalized development costs of R&D; 4) cancellation of fair value model accounting for property, plant, and equipment and investment properties and incorporation of cost model accounting; 5) recording the prior years' effects of changes in accounting policies in the income statement where retrospective adjustments to financial statements have been incorporated; and 6) exclusion of minority interests from net income, if contained. PITF No. 18 was effective for fiscal years beginning on or after April 1, 2008 with early adoption permitted.

The Group applied this accounting standard effective March 1, 2009.

#### c. Cash Equivalents

Cash equivalents are short-term investments that are readily convertible into cash and that are exposed to insignificant risk of changes in value.

Cash equivalents include time deposits, certificates of deposits and investment trusts in bonds that represent short-term investments, all of which mature or become due within three months of the date of acquisition.

#### d. Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower of the cost (substantially determined by the average method for the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries in Japan, and by the first-in, first-out method for the consolidated subsidiaries outside Japan) or the net selling value.

#### e. Marketable and Investment Securities

All investment securities are classified available-for-sale securities.

Marketable available-for-sale securities are reported at fair value, with unrealized gains and losses, net of applicable taxes, reported in a separate component of equity. The cost of securities sold is determined based on the moving-average method.

Non-marketable available-for-sale securities are stated at cost determined by the moving-average method. For other than temporary declines in fair value, non-marketable available-for-sale securities are reduced to net realizable value by a charge to income.

#### f. Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment are stated at cost. Depreciation of property, plant and equipment of the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries in Japan is computed substantially by the declining-balance method based on the estimated useful lives of the assets, while the straight-line method is applied to substantially all of the consolidated subsidiaries outside of Japan.

The range of useful lives is principally from 15 to 47 years for buildings and structures and from 2 to 15 years for machinery and equipment. The useful lives for lease assets are the terms of the respective leases.

### g. Long-lived Assets

The Group reviews its long-lived assets for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate 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.

# h. Retirement and Pension Plans

The Company has a non-contributory funded pension plan covering substantially all of its employees. To provide for the payment of retirement benefits and pension plan payment to employees, the Company recorded a reserve equivalent to the amounts recognized as necessary at the end of the period under review based on the projected retirement benefits obligation and the fair value of the pension plan assets at the fiscal year-end.

Actuarial gain and loss is amortized in the years following the year in which the gain or loss is recognized by the straight-line method within a specific period (13 years), which falls within the average remaining years of service of the eligible employees. Unrecognized prior service cost is amortized in the years in which the gain or loss is recognized by the straight-line method within a specific period (13 years), which falls within the average remaining years of service of the eligible employees. Domestic consolidated subsidiaries have lump-sum retirement benefit plans, and certain foreign consolidated subsidiaries have lump-sum retirement benefit plans or defined contribution pension plans.

### i. Bonuses to Directors and Corporate Auditors

Bonuses to directors and corporate auditors are accrued at the year end to which such bonuses are attributable.

#### i. Leases

In March 2007, the ASBJ issued ASBJ Statement No. 13, "Accounting Standard for Lease Transactions", which revised the previous accounting standard for lease transactions issued in June 1993. The revised accounting standard for lease transactions is effective for fiscal years beginning on or after April 1, 2008 with early adoption permitted for fiscal years beginning on or after April 1, 2007.

Under the previous accounting standard, finance leases that were deemed to transfer ownership of the leased property to the lessee were to be capitalized. However, other finance leases were permitted to be accounted for as operating lease transactions if certain "as if capitalized" information is disclosed in the note to the lessee's financial statements. The revised accounting standard requires that all finance lease transactions should be capitalized to recognize lease assets and lease obligations in the balance sheet. In addition, the accounting standard permits leases which existed at the transition date and do not transfer ownership of the leased property to the lessee to be accounted for as operating lease transactions.

The Group applied the revised accounting standard effective March 1, 2009. In addition, the Group accounted for leases which existed at the transition date and do not transfer ownership of the leased property to the lessee as operating lease transactions.

All other leases are accounted for as operating leases.

### k. Research and Development Costs

Research and development costs are charged to income as incurred.

#### I. Income Taxes

The provision for income taxes is computed based on the pretax income included in the consolidated statements of operations. The asset and liability approach is used to recognize deferred tax assets and liabilities for the expected future tax consequences of temporary differences between the carrying amounts and the tax bases of assets and liabilities. Deferred taxes are measured by applying currently enacted tax laws to the temporary differences.

# m. Foreign Currency Transactions

All short-term and long-term monetary receivables and payables denominated in foreign currencies are translated into Japanese yen at the exchange rates as of the balance sheet date. The foreign exchange gains and losses from translation are recognized in the consolidated statement of operations to the extent that they are not hedged by forward exchange contracts.

### n. Foreign Currency Financial Statements

The balance sheet accounts of the consolidated foreign subsidiaries are translated into Japanese yen at the current exchange rates as of the balance sheet date except for equity, which is translated at the historical rate.

Differences arising from such translation are shown as "Foreign currency translation adjustments" in a separate component of equity.

Revenue and expense accounts of consolidated foreign subsidiaries are translated into yen at the average exchange rate.

## o. Derivatives

The Group uses derivative financial instruments to manage its exposures to fluctuations in foreign exchange. Foreign exchange forward contracts are utilized by the Group to reduce foreign currency exchange risks. The Group does not enter into derivatives for trading or speculative purposes.

All derivatives are recognized as either assets or liabilities and measured at fair value, and gains or losses on derivative transactions are recognized in the consolidated statements of operations.

The foreign exchange forward contracts employed to hedge foreign exchange exposures for export sales are measured at the fair value and the unrealized gains/losses are recognized in the consolidated statements of operations.

# p. Per Share Information

Basic net income (loss) per share is computed by dividing net income available to common shareholders by the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding for the period.

Diluted net income per share reflects the potential dilution that could occur if securities were exercised. Diluted net income per share of common stock assumes full conversion of the outstanding stock acquisition rights at the beginning of the year (or at the time of issuance) with an applicable adjustment for related interest expense and net of tax. Diluted net income per share is not disclosed because there are no securities with dilutive effect upon exercise or conversion into common stock for the year ended February 28, 2011.

Cash dividends per share presented in the accompanying consolidated statements of operations are dividends applicable to the respective years including dividends to be paid after the end of the year.

### q. New Accounting Pronouncements

#### **Business Combinations**

In December 2008, the ASBJ issued a revised accounting standard for business combinations, ASBJ Statement No. 21, "Accounting Standard for Business Combinations". Major accounting changes under the revised accounting standard are as follows:

- (1) The current accounting standard for business combinations allows companies to apply the pooling of interests method of accounting when certain specific criteria are met such that the business combination is essentially regarded as a uniting-of-interests. The revised standard requires companies to account for such business combination by the purchase method and the pooling of interests method of accounting is no longer allowed.
- (2) The current accounting standard requires research and development costs to be charged to income as incurred. Under the revised standard, an in-process research and development (IPR&D) acquired by the business combination is capitalized as an intangible asset.
- (3) The current accounting standard accounts for a bargain purchase gain (negative goodwill) to be systematically amortized within 20 years. Under the revised standard, the acquirer recognizes a bargain purchase gain in profit or loss on the acquisition date after reassessing whether it has correctly identified all of the assets acquired and all of the liabilities assumed with a review of such procedures used.

This standard is applicable to business combinations undertaken on or after April 1, 2010 with early adoption permitted for fiscal years beginning on or after April 1, 2009.

### Asset Retirement Obligations

In March 2008, the ASBJ published a new accounting standard for asset retirement obligations, ASBJ Statement No. 18 "Accounting Standard for Asset Retirement Obligations" and ASBJ Guidance No. 21 "Guidance on Accounting Standard for Asset Retirement Obligations". Under this accounting standard, an asset retirement obligation is defined as a legal obligation imposed either by law or contract that results from the acquisition, construction, development and the normal operation of a tangible fixed asset and is associated with the retirement of such tangible fixed asset.

The asset retirement obligation is recognized as the sum of the discounted cash flows required for the future asset retirement and is recorded in the period in which the obligation is incurred if a reasonable estimate can be made. If a reasonable estimate of the asset retirement obligation cannot be made in the period the asset retirement obligation is incurred, the liability should be recognized when a reasonable estimate of asset retirement obligation can be made. Upon initial recognition of a liability for an asset retirement obligation, an asset retirement cost is capitalized by increasing the carrying amount of the related fixed asset by the amount of the liability. The asset retirement cost is subsequently allocated to expense through depreciation over the remaining useful life of the asset. Over time, the liability is accreted to its present value each period. Any subsequent revisions to the timing or the amount of the original estimate of undiscounted cash flows are reflected as an increase or a decrease in the carrying amount of the liability and the capitalized amount of the related asset retirement cost. This standard is effective for fiscal years beginning on or after April 1, 2010 with early adoption permitted for fiscal years beginning on or before March 31, 2010.

#### Accounting Changes and Error Corrections

In December 2009, ASBJ issued ASBJ Statement No. 24 "Accounting Standard for Accounting Changes and Error Corrections" and ASBJ Guidance No. 24 "Guidance on Accounting Standard for Accounting Changes and Error Corrections". Accounting treatments under this standard and guidance are as follows:

#### (1) Changes in Accounting Policies

When a new accounting policy is applied with revision of accounting standards, a new policy is applied retrospectively unless the revised accounting standards include specific transitional provisions. When the revised accounting standards include specific transitional provisions, an entity shall comply with the specific transitional provisions.

### (2) Changes in Presentations

When the presentation of financial statements is changed, prior period financial statements are reclassified in accordance with the new presentation.

#### (3) Changes in Accounting Estimates

A change in an accounting estimate is accounted for in the period of the change if the change affects that period only, and is accounted for prospectively if the change affects both the period of the change and future periods.

#### (4) Corrections of Prior Period Errors

When an error in prior period financial statements is discovered, those statements are restated.

This accounting standard and the guidance are applicable to accounting changes and corrections of prior period errors which are made from the beginning of the fiscal year that begins on or after April 1, 2011.

#### Segment Information Disclosures

In March 2008, the ASBJ revised ASBJ Statement No. 17 "Accounting Standard for Segment Information Disclosures" and issued ASBJ Guidance No. 20 "Guidance on Accounting Standard for Segment Information Disclosures". Under the standard and guidance, an entity is required to report financial and descriptive information about its reportable segments. Reportable segments are operating segments or aggregations of operating segments that meet specified criteria. Operating segments are components of an entity about which separate financial information is available and such information is evaluated regularly by the chief operating decision maker in deciding how to allocate resources and in assessing performance. Generally, segment information is required to be reported on the same basis as is used internally for evaluating operating segment performance and deciding how to allocate resources to operating segments. This accounting standard and the guidance are applicable to segment information disclosures for the fiscal years beginning on or after April 1, 2010.

# 3. MARKETABLE AND INVESTMENT SECURITIES

Marketable and	d invoctment	cocurities at	Enhruany S	2011	and 2010	consisted of	f the following:
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			Thousands of
	Millions of yen		U.S. dollars (Note 1)
	2011	2010	2011
Current:			
Corporate and other bonds	¥ 406		\$ 4,951
Total	¥ 406		\$ 4,951
Non-current:			
Equity securities	¥1,553	¥1,573	\$18,939
Corporate and other bonds	682	1,124	8,317
Trust fund investment and other	39	35	475
Total	¥2,274	¥2,732	\$27,731

The costs and aggregate fair values of securities classified as available-for-sale at February 28, 2011 and 2010 were as follows:

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	Millions of yen				
2011	Cost	Unrealized gains	Unrealized losses	Fair value	
Securities classified as:					
Available-for-sale					
Marketable equity securities	¥1,399	¥236	¥210	¥1,425	
Corporate and other bonds	1,065	23	1	1,087	
Trust fund investments and other	29	10		39	
		Mill	ions of yen		
2010	Cost	Unrealized gains	Unrealized losses	Fair value	
Securities classified as:					
Available-for-sale					
Marketable equity securities	¥1,396	¥242	¥197	¥1,441	
Corporate and other bonds	1,123	12	11	1,124	
Trust fund investments and other	29	6		35	
		Thousand of U	J.S. dollars (Note 1)		
2011	Cost	Unrealized gains	Unrealized losses	Fair value	
Securities classified as:					
Available-for-sale					
Marketable equity securities	\$17,061	\$2,878	\$2,561	\$17,378	
Corporate and other bonds	12,988	280	12	13,256	
Trust fund investments and other	353	122		475	

Available-for-sale securities whose fair value is not readily determinable as of February 28, 2010 were as follows. The similar information for 2011 is disclosed in Note 14.

	Carrying Amount
	Millions of yen
	2010
Available-for-sale:	
Equity securities	¥132
Total	¥132

Proceeds from sales of available-for-sale securities for the year ended February 28, 2010 were ¥202 million. Gross realized gains and losses on these sales, computed on the moving-average cost basis, for the year ended February 28, 2010 were both ¥0 million.

# 4. SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS

Short-term investments at February 28, 2011 and 2010 consisted of the following:

			Thousands of
	Millions	of yen	U.S. dollars (Note 1)
	2011	2010	2011
Deposits over 3-month period	¥1,578	¥1,002	\$19,244
Total	¥1,578	¥1,002	\$19,244

#### 5. INVENTORIES

Inventories at February 28, 2011 and 2010 consisted of the following:

			Thousands of
	Millions of yen		U.S. dollars (Note 1)
	2011	2010	2011
Merchandise	¥ 281	¥ 279	\$ 3,427
Finished products	5,382	5,605	65,634
Work in process	2,066	2,057	25,195
Raw materials and supplies	1,793	1,079	21,866
Total	¥9,522	¥9,020	\$116,122

### **6. LONG-LIVED ASSETS**

The Group reviewed its long-lived assets for impairment as of the years ended February 28, 2010 and recognized impairment losses of ¥2,308 million as other expenses.

The loss for the year ended February 28, 2010 was for production facilities used by the Components Department due to the downturn in profitability.

The recoverable amounts of these assets as of February 28, 2010 were measured at value in use and as a result, they were assessed as zero value. No impairment loss was recognized in 2011.

### 7. SHORT-TERM BANK LOANS AND LONG-TERM DEBT

Short-term bank loans at February 28, 2011 and 2010 consisted of bank overdrafts. The annual interest rates applicable for the years ended February 28, 2011 and 2010 were 0.39% and 0.42%, respectively.

Long-term debt at February 28, 2011 and 2010 consisted of the following:

	Millions of yen		Thousands of U.S. dollars (Note 1)	
	2011	2010	2011	
Lease obligations	¥64	¥53	\$780	
Less: current portion	16	11	195	
Long-term debt, less current portion	¥48	¥42	\$585	

Annual maturities of long-term debt at February 28, 2011 were as follows:

Years ending February 28 or 29	Millions of yen	Thousands of U.S. dollars (Note 1)
2012	¥16	\$195
2013	16	195
2014	16	195
2015	13	158
2016	3	37
Total	¥64	\$780

#### 8. RETIREMENT AND PENSION PLANS

The Company and certain of its consolidated subsidiaries have severance payment plans for employees. Under the pension plans, employees terminating their employment are, in most circumstances, entitled to pension payments.

The liability for employees' retirement benefits at February 28, 2011 and 2010 consisted of the following:

			Thousands of
	Millions	U.S. dollars (Note 1)	
	2011	2010	2011
Projected benefit obligation	¥(7,382)	¥(7,503)	\$(90,024)
Fair value of plan assets	6,866	6,772	83,732
Unrecognized actuarial loss	1,022	1,388	12,463
Unrecognized prior service cost	(162)	(185)	(1,976)
Net amount recognized	¥ 344	¥ 472	\$ 4,195
Amounts recognized in the balance sheets consist of:			
Prepaid pension expense	¥ 390	¥ 515	\$ 4,756
Liability for retirement benefits	(46)	(43)	(561)
Net amount recognized	¥ 344	¥ 472	\$ 4,195

The components of net periodic benefit costs for the years ended February 28, 2011 and 2010 were as follows:

			Thousands of
	Millions	Millions of yen	
	2011	2010	2011
Service cost	¥ 348	¥ 355	\$ 4,244
Interest cost	149	155	1,817
Expected return on plan assets	(169)	(159)	(2,061)
Recognized net actuarial loss	168	198	2,049
Amortization of prior service cost	(23)	(20)	(281)
Net periodic benefit costs	¥ 473	¥ 529	\$ 5,768

Assumptions used for the years ended February 28, 2011 and 2010 were set forth as follows:

	2011	2010
Discount rate	2%	2%
Expected rate of return on plan assets	2.5%	2.5%
Recognition period of actuarial gain/loss	13 years	14 years
Amortization period of prior service cost	13 years	14 years

# 9. EQUITY

Japanese companies are subject to the Companies Act of Japan (the "Companies Act"). The significant provisions in the Companies Act that affect financial and accounting matters are summarized below.

### (a) Dividends

Under the Companies Act, companies can pay dividends at any time during the fiscal year in addition to the year-end dividend upon resolution at the shareholders' meeting, if companies meet certain criteria such as; (1) having the Board of Directors, (2) having independent auditors, (3) having the Board of Corporate Auditors, and (4) the term of service of the directors is prescribed as one year rather than two years of normal term by its articles of incorporation. The Board of Directors of such company may declare dividends (except for dividends in kind) at any time during the fiscal year if the company has prescribed so in its articles of incorporation. However, the Company cannot do so because it does not meet all the above criteria.

The Companies Act permits companies to distribute dividends-in-kind (non-cash assets) to shareholders subject to certain limitations and additional requirements.

Semiannual interim dividends may also be paid once a year upon resolution by the Board of Directors if the articles of incorporation of the company so stipulate. The Companies Act provides certain limitations on the amounts available for dividends or the purchase of treasury stock. The limitation is defined as the amount available for distribution to the shareholders, but the amount of net assets after dividends must be maintained at no less than ¥3 million.

#### (b) Increases/decreases and Transfer of Common Stock, Reserve and Surplus

The Companies Act requires that an amount equal to 10% of dividends must be appropriated as a legal reserve (a component of retained earnings) or as additional paid-in capital (a component of capital surplus) depending on the equity account charged upon the payment of such dividends until the total of the aggregate amount of legal reserve and additional paid-in capital equals 25% of the common stock. Under the Companies Act, the total amount of additional paid-in capital and legal reserve may be reversed without limitation of such threshold. The Companies Act also provides that common stock, legal reserve, additional paid-in capital, other capital surplus and retained earnings can be transferred among the accounts under certain conditions upon resolution of the shareholders.

### (c) Treasury Stock and Treasury Stock Acquisition Rights

The Companies Act also provides for companies to purchase treasury stock and dispose of such treasury stock by resolution of the Board of Directors. The amount of treasury stock purchased cannot exceed the amount available for distribution to the shareholders which is determined by a specific formula.

Under the Companies Act, stock acquisition rights are presented as a separate component of equity.

The Companies Act also provides that companies can purchase both treasury stock acquisition rights and treasury stock. Such treasury stock acquisition rights are presented as a separate component of equity or deducted directly from stock acquisition rights.

# 10. STOCK OPTIONS

The stock	ontions	outstanding	as of Februa	ry 28 2011	were as follows:
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Stock Option	Persons Granted	Number of Options Granted	Date of Grant	Exercise Price	Exercise Period
2004 Stock Option	8 directors 18 employees 13 directors of subsidiaries	140,000 shares	July 20, 2004	¥967	From May 28, 2006 to May 27, 2010
2005 Stock Option	8 directors 15 employees 16 directors of subsidiaries	140,000 shares	June 20, 2005	¥1,142	From May 27, 2007 to May 26, 2011

The stock option activity was as follows:

Shares				
2004 Stock Option	2005 Stock Option			

# For the year ended February 28, 2010

### Non-vested

February 28, 2009 - Outstanding

Granted

Canceled

Vested

February 28, 2010 - Outstanding

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	2004 Stock Option	2005 Stock Option
Vested		
February 28, 2009 – Outstanding	17,000	76,000
Vested		
Exercised		
Canceled		
February 28, 2010 – Outstanding	17,000	76,000
For the year ended February 28, 2011		
Non-vested		
February 28, 2010 – Outstanding		
Granted		
Canceled		
Vested		
February 28, 2011 – Outstanding		
Vested		
February 28, 2010 – Outstanding	17,000	76,000
Vested		
Exercised	11,000	
Canceled	6,000	
February 28, 2011 – Outstanding		76,000
Exercise price	¥967	¥1,142
Average stock price at exercise		

# 11. INCOME TAXES

The Company and its consolidated subsidiaries in Japan are subject to Japanese national and local income taxes which, in the aggregate, resulted in a normal effective statutory tax rate of approximately 40% for the years ended February 28, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

Consolidated subsidiaries outside of Japan are subject to income taxes of the countries in which they operate.

The tax effects of significant temporary differences and loss carryforwards which resulted in deferred tax assets and liabilities at February 28, 2011 and 2010 were as follows:

			Thousands of
	Millions	U.S. dollars (Note 1)	
	2011	2010	2011
Current:			
Deferred tax assets			
Tax loss carryforwards	¥ 407		\$ 4,963
Accrued bonuses	225	¥ 206	2,744
Inventories	191	217	2,329
Allowance for doubtful receivables	23	114	281
Unrealized profit on inventories	20	17	244
Other – net	95	93	1,159
Less valuation allowance	(408)	(422)	(4,976)
Total	¥ 553	¥ 225	\$ 6,744

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	Millions		Millions of yen		U.S. do	llars (Note 1)
	20	)11		2010		2011
Deferred tax liabilities						
Undistributed earnings of associated companies	¥ 8	44	¥ 1	,238	\$	10,293
Tax-deductible inventory losses		46		41		561
Other – net		38		28		463
Total	¥ 9	28	¥ 1	,307	\$	11,317
Net deferred tax liabilities	¥ (3	75)	¥(1	,082)	\$	(4,573)
Non-Current:						
Deferred tax assets						
Tax loss carry forwards	¥ 2,5	05	¥ 2	2,250	\$	30,549
Impairment loss	4	60		635		5,610
Write-down of investment securities	2	41		240		2,939
Depreciation	2	34		217		2,853
Other – net	2	51		273		3,061
Less valuation allowance	(3,1	67)	(2	2,926)	(	38,622)
Total	¥ 5	24	¥	689	\$	6,390
Deferred tax liabilities						
Prepaid pension expense	¥ 1	55	¥	205	\$	1,890
Property, plant and equipment		25		26		305
Other – net		26		33		317
Total	¥ 2	06	¥	264	\$	2,512
Net deferred tax assets	¥ 3	18	¥	425	\$	3,878

A reconciliation between the normal effective statutory tax rate for the year ended February 28, 2011 and February 28, 2010 and the actual effective tax rate reflected in the accompanying consolidated statements of operations was as follows:

	2011	2010
Normal effective statutory tax rate	39.8%	39.8%
Effect of foreign tax rate differences	(73.1)	(3.8)
Valuation allowance	61.4	(42.7)
Unrealized profit on inventories	36.6	(7.0)
Undistributed earnings of associated companies	(34.9)	(13.2)
Other – net	(0.1)	(0.2)
Actual effective tax rate	29.7%	(27.1)

# 12. RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT COSTS

Research and development costs charged to income were ¥1,755 million (\$21,402 thousand) and ¥1,950 million for the years ended February 28, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

The Company and its consolidated subsidiaries lease certain machinery, computer equipment, office space and other assets.

Lease payments under financial leases were ¥30 million (\$366 thousand) and ¥42 million for the years ended February 28, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

ASBJ Statement No. 13, "Accounting Standard for Lease Transactions" requires that all finance lease transactions should be capitalized to recognize lease assets and lease obligations in the balance sheet. However, the ASBJ Statement No. 13 permits leases without ownership transfer of the leased property to the lessee whose lease inception was before February 28, 2009 to be accounted for as operating lease transactions if certain "as if capitalized" information is disclosed in the note to the financial statements. The Company applied the ASBJ Statement No. 13 effective March 1, 2009 and accounted for such leases as operating lease transactions. Pro forma information of leased property whose lease inception was before February 28, 2009 such as acquisition cost, accumulated depreciation, accumulated impairment loss, obligations under finance leases, depreciation expense, interest expense and other information of finance leases that do not transfer ownership of the leased property to the lessee on an "as if capitalized" basis was as follows:

	Millio	Millions of yen		
	2011	2010	2011	
Acquisition cost	¥112	¥172	\$1,366	
Accumulated depreciation	71	101	866	
Net leased property	¥ 41	¥ 71	\$ 500	

The pro forma depreciation expense computed by the straight-line method was ¥30 million (\$366 thousand) and ¥42 million for the years ended February 28, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

Obligations under financial leases at February 28, 2011 and 2010 were as follows:

		•	Thousands of
	Millions	U.S. dollars (Note 1)	
	2011	2010	2011
Due within one year	¥22	¥30	\$268
Due after one year	19	41	232
Total	¥41	¥71	\$500

The pro forma information above does not exclude the imputed interest portion because the remaining financial lease obligations are not material compared with the book values of property, plant and equipment.

Obligations under non-cancelable operating leases at February 28, 2011 and 2010 were as follows:

	Millions o		Thousands of U.S. dollars (Note 1)
	2011	2010	2011
Due within one year	¥ 67	¥ 80	\$ 817
Due after one year	330	285	4,024
Total	¥397	¥365	\$4,841

# 14. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS AND RELATED DISCLOSURES

On March 10, 2008, the ASBJ revised ASBJ Statement No. 10 "Accounting Standard for Financial Instruments" and issued ASBJ Guidance No. 19 "Guidance on Accounting Standard for Financial Instruments and Related Disclosures". This accounting standard and the guidance are applicable to financial instruments and related disclosures at the end of the fiscal years ending on or after March 31, 2010 with early adoption permitted from the beginning of the fiscal years ending before March 31, 2010. The Group applied the revised accounting standard and the new guidance effective February 28, 2011.

# (1) Group Policy for Financial Instruments

The Group invests cash surpluses in low risk financial instruments, and uses bank loans to fund its ongoing operations. Derivatives are used mainly to manage foreign exchange risks, not for speculative purposes.

### (2) Nature, Extent of Risks Arising from and Risk Management for Financial Instruments

Trade receivables such as trade notes and accounts receivable are exposed to customer credit risk. The Group manages its credit risk from receivables on the basis of internal guidelines, which include monitoring of payment term and balance of each customer. The Group also periodically checks credit status of key customers.

Marketable securities and investment securities, which are mainly equity instruments, are exposed to market risk. The Group periodically monitors market values of these securities and reports them to the management.

Trade payables such as trade notes and accounts payable are mostly due within one year.

Loans are used to finance operating activities and exposed to risks of interest rate fluctuations, but all of them are short-term borrowings.

The Group uses forward foreign exchange contracts to manage exchange risks arising from receivables and payables denominated in foreign currencies. Derivative transactions entered into by the Group have been made in accordance with internal policies which prescribe the authorization, and the result is reported to management. The Group also limits the counterparties of these derivatives to major international financial institutions to reduce credit risk.

With regard to trade payables and loans, the Group is exposed to liquidity risk. The Group manages this risk by periodic financial planning made by each group company.

#### (3) Fair Values of Financial Instruments

Fair values of financial instruments are based on their quoted market price, if available. If a quoted price is not available, other rational valuation techniques are used instead. Also please see Note 15 for details of fair value for derivatives.

#### (a) Fair value of financial instruments

	Millions of yen		Thousan	ars (Note 1)		
February 28, 2011	Carrying amount	Fair value	Unrealized gain/loss	Contracted amount	Fair value	Unrealized gain/loss
Cash and cash equivalents	¥13,217	¥13,217		\$161,183	\$161,183	
Marketable and investment securities	2,550	2,550		31,098	31,098	
Short-term investments	1,578	1,578		19,244	19,244	
Trade receivables	9,289	9,289		113,280	113,280	
Total	¥26,634	¥26,634		\$324,805	\$324,805	
Trade payables	5,864	5,864		71,513	71,513	
Short-term bank loans	¥ 2,000	¥ 2,000		\$ 24,390	\$ 24,390	
Total	¥ 7,864	¥ 7,864		\$ 95,903	\$ 95,903	
Derivatives	¥ 36	¥ 36		\$ 439	\$ 439	

#### Cash and cash equivalents, short-term investments

The carrying values of cash and cash equivalents and short-term investments approximate fair value because of their short maturities.

### Marketable and investment securities

The fair values of marketable and investment securities are measured at the quoted market price of the stock exchange for the equity instruments, and at the quoted price obtained from the financial institution for certain debt instruments. The information of the fair value for the marketable and investment securities by classification is included in Note 3.

### Trade receivables

The carrying values of receivables approximate fair value because of their short maturities. Further, the carrying value of receivables due more than 1 year, arising from some overseas subsidiaries having installment sales, is measured in rational manner, discounted at the Group's assumed corporate discount rate.

### Trade payables and short-term bank loans

The carrying values of payables and short-term bank loans approximate fair value because of their short maturities.

#### Derivatives

The information on fair value of derivatives is included in Note 15.

### (b) Financial instruments whose fair value cannot be reliably determined

	Carr	Carrying Amount		
		Thousands of		
February 28, 2011	Millions of yen	U.S. dollars (Note 1)		
Investments in equity instruments that do not have a				
quoted market price in an active market	¥129	\$1,573		
Investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries and				
associated companies	32	390		
Total	¥161	\$1,963		

# (4) Maturity Analysis for Financial Assets and Securities with Contractual Maturities

	Millions of yen			
	Due in one	Due after one year	Due after five years	Due after
February 28, 2011	year or less	through five years	through ten years	ten years
Cash and cash equivalents	¥13,217			
Marketable and investment securities	399	¥ 638		
Short-term investment	1,578			
Trade receivables	8,661	628		
Total	¥23,855	¥1,266		

	Thousand of U.S. dollars (Note 1)						
	Due in one	Due in one Due after one year Due after five years Due					
February 28, 2011	year or less	through five years	through ten years	ten years			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$161,183						
Marketable and investment securities	4,866	\$ 7,780					
Short-term investment	19,244						
Trade receivables	105,623	7,659					
Total	\$290,916	\$15,439					

### 15. DERIVATIVES

As noted in Note 14, the Group applied ASBJ Statement No. 10 "Accounting Standard for Financial Instruments" and ASBJ Guidance No. 19 "Guidance on Accounting Standard for Financial Instruments and Related Disclosures". The accounting standard and the guidance are applicable to financial instruments and related disclosures at the end of the fiscal years ending on or after March 31, 2010; therefore, the required information is disclosed only for February 28, 2011.

Derivative transactions to which hedge accounting is not applied at February 28, 2011.

	•••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••	Millions of yen					
	Contracted						
	Contracted	amount due		Unrealized			
At February 28, 2011	amount	after one year	Fair value	gain/loss			
Foreign currency forward contracts:							
Receivables:	¥1,331		¥ 8	¥ 8			
Payables:	1,204		28	28			
Total				¥36			

		Thousand of U.S. dollars (Note 1)					
		Contracted					
	Contracted	amount due		Unrealized			
At February 28, 2011	amount	after one year	Fair value	gain/loss			
Foreign currency forward contracts:							
Receivables:	\$16,232		\$ 98	\$ 98			
Payables:	14,683		341	341			
Total				\$439			
	accounting is not applie	d at February 28-2	2010	\$439			
Total  Derivative transactions to which hedge	accounting is not applie	d at February 28, 2	2010. Millions of yen	\$439			
Total  Derivative transactions to which hedge	accounting is not applie	d at February 28, 2	······································				
	accounting is not applie		······································	Unrealized gain/loss			
Derivative transactions to which hedge	accounting is not applie	Contracted	Millions of yen	Unrealized			

# 16. NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE

Payables:

Total

Reconciliation of the differences between basic and diluted net income (loss) per share (EPS) for the years ended February 28, 2011 and 2010 was as follows:

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repruary 28, 2011 and 2010 was as follows:				
		Thousands of		U.S. dollars
	Millions of yen	shares	Yen	(Note 1)
	Net income	Weighted		
	(loss)	average shares	EP:	<u> </u>
For the year ended February 28, 2011				
Basic EPS				
Net income attributable to common shareholders	¥ 161	43,576	¥ 3.71	\$ 0.05
Effect of Dilutive Securities				
Stock acquisition rights				
Diluted EPS				
Net income for computation	¥ 161	43,576		
For the year ended February 28, 2010				
Basic EPS				
Net loss attributable to common shareholders	¥(8,555)	45,518	¥(187.95)	\$(2.11)
Effect of Dilutive Securities				
Stock acquisition rights				
Diluted EPS				
Net loss for computation	¥(8,555)	45,518		

### 17. SEGMENT INFORMATION

Information regarding industry segments, geographical segments and sales to foreign customers of the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries for the years ended February 28, 2011 and 2010 was as follows:

### (1) Industry Segments

			Millions	s of yen		
	Special		Machine		Eliminations	
2011	Products	Components	Tools	Products	or Corporate	Consolidated
Sales to customers	¥7,782	¥4,401	¥19,287	¥4,248		¥35,718
Intersegment sales						
Total sales	7,782	4,401	19,287	4,248		35,718
Operating expenses	7,041	4,959	17,112	3,524	¥ 1,653	34,289
Operating income (loss)	¥ 741	¥ (558)	¥ 2,175	¥ 724	¥(1,653)	¥ 1,429
Total assets	¥5,677	¥4,233	¥24,997	¥5,897	¥ 8,446	¥49,250
Depreciation and amortization	205	135	829	469	124	1,762
Capital expenditures	56	89	465	190	174	974

			Millions	Millions of yen				
	Special		Machine	Precision	Eliminations			
2010	Products	Components	Tools	Products	or Corporate	Consolidated		
Sales to customers	¥6,740	¥ 7,646	¥11,464	¥3,331		¥29,181		
Intersegment sales								
Total sales	6,740	7,646	11,464	3,331		29,181		
Operating expenses	6,461	9,172	12,404	3,416	¥ 1,713	33,166		
Operating (loss) income	¥ 279	¥(1,526)	¥ (940)	¥ (85)	¥(1,713)	¥ (3,985)		
Total assets	¥7,694	¥ 6,558	¥25,225	¥5,856	¥ 5,348	¥50,681		
Depreciation and amortization	248	976	982	507	171	2,884		
Loss on impairment of long-lived assets		2,277		31		2,308		
Capital expenditures	128	572	465	268	153	1,586		

		Thousands of U.S. dollars (Note 1)					
	Special		Machine	Precision	Eliminations		
2011	Products	Components	Tools	Products	or Corporate	Consolidated	
Sales to customers	\$94,902	\$53,671	\$235,207	\$51,805		\$435,585	
Intersegment sales							
Total sales	94,902	53,671	235,207	51,805		435,585	
Operating expenses	85,865	60,476	208,682	42,976	\$ 20,159	418,158	
Operating income (loss)	\$ 9,037	\$ (6,805)	\$ 26,525	\$ 8,829	\$ (20,159)	\$ 17,427	
Total assets	\$69,232	\$51,622	\$304,841	\$71,915	\$103,000	\$600,610	
Depreciation and amortization	2,500	1,646	10,110	5,720	1,512	21,488	
Capital expenditures	683	1,085	5,671	2,317	2,122	11,878	

<sup>\*</sup> The segments sell the following products:

Special Products: POS printers, Visual cards, Readers/Writers, etc.

Components: Electronic buzzers, Microphones, Speakers, Receivers, etc.

Machine Tools: CNC automatic lathes, etc.

Precision Products: Wristwatch parts, Optical connector parts, Automotive parts, Medical parts, etc.

<sup>\*</sup> Operating expenses in the eliminations or corporate column include general corporate expenses incurred by the Administration Headquarters of the Company. The amounts were ¥1,653 million (\$20,159 thousand) and ¥1,713 million for the years ended February 28, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

<sup>\*</sup> Assets in the eliminations or corporate column include assets maintained by the Administration Headquarters of the Company, and consist principally of excess funds under management (cash and cash equivalents) and long-term investments (investment securities). The amounts were ¥8,446 million (\$103,000 thousand) and ¥5,348 million at February 28, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

(2) Geographical Segme	ients
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(2) Geographical Segments	<b>.</b>	***************************************		···•		<del>-</del>
	Millions of yen					
2011	Japan	Europe	America	Asia	Eliminations or Corporate	Consolidated
Sales:	Jupun	Luiopo	711101100	71014	or corporate	Consonated
Sales to customers	¥11,840	¥9,688	¥8,882	¥ 5,308		¥35,718
Inter-area transfers	18,528	42	24	10,999	¥(29,593)	
Total	30,368	9,730	8,906	16,307	(29,593)	35,718
Operating expenses	29,530	9,009	8,523	14,861	(27,634)	34,289
Operating income	¥ 838	¥ 721	¥ 383	¥ 1,446	¥ (1,959)	¥ 1,429
Assets	¥41,427	¥10,461	¥5,609	¥11,403	¥(19,650)	¥49,250
	Millions of yen					
2010	Japan	Europe	America	Asia	Eliminations or Corporate	Consolidated
Sales:						
Sales to customers	¥ 9,553	¥ 6,853	¥6,261	¥ 6,514		¥29,181
Inter-area transfers	10,387	16	27	5,848	¥(16,278)	
Total	19,940	6,869	6,288	12,362	(16,278)	29,181
Operating expenses	23,429	6,570	6,432	12,057	(15,322)	33,166
Operating (loss) income	¥ (3,489)	) ¥ 299	¥ (144)	¥ 305	¥ (956)	¥ (3,985)
Assets	¥38,309	¥11,517	¥7,220	¥11,292	¥(17,657)	¥50,681
	Thousands of U.S. dollars (Note 1)				·- <u>-</u>	
2011	Japan	Europe	America	Asia	Eliminations or Corporate	Consolidated
Sales:						
Sales to customers	\$144,390	\$118,146	\$108,317	\$ 64,732		\$435,585
Inter-area transfers	225,951	512	293	134,134	\$(360,890)	
Total	370,341	118,658	108,610	198,866	(360,890)	435,585
Operating expenses	360,122	109,865	103,939	181,232	(337,000)	418,158
Operating income	\$ 10,219	\$ 8,793	\$ 4,671	\$ 17,634	\$ (23,890)	\$ 17,427
Assets	\$505,207	\$127,573	\$ 68,403	\$139,061	\$(239,634)	\$600,610

<sup>\*</sup> The segments include the following countries:

Europe: United Kingdom, Germany, France and Switzerland

America: United States of America

Asia: China and Thailand

<sup>\*</sup> Operating expenses in the eliminations or corporate column include general corporate expenses incurred by the Administration  $Headquarters of the Company. The amounts were $1,653 \ million ($20,159 \ thousand) \ and $1,713 \ million for the years ended February and $1,713 \ million for the years end $1,713 \ million for the years ended February and $1,713 \ million for the years ended February and $1,713 \ million for the years ended February and $1,713 \ million for the years ended February and $1,713 \ million for the years ended February and $1,713 \ million for the years ended February and $1,713 \ million fo$ 28, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

<sup>\*</sup> Assets in the eliminations or corporate column include assets maintained by the Administration Headquarters of the Company, and consist principally of excess funds under management (cash and cash equivalents) and long-term investments (investment securities). The amounts were ¥ 8,446 million (\$103,000 thousand) and ¥5,348 million at February 28, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

### (3) Sales to Foreign Customers

	Million		Thousands of U.S. dollars (Note 1)
	2011	2010	2011
Europe	¥ 9,979	¥ 7,357	\$121,695
America	8,516	6,054	103,854
Asia	9,589	10,333	116,939
Total	¥28,084	¥23,744	\$342,488

<sup>\*</sup> The segments include the following countries:

Europe: United Kingdom, Germany, Switzerland, France, etc. America: United States of America, Mexico, Brazil, etc. Asia: China, Republic of Korea, Taiwan, Thailand, etc.

# **18. SUBSEQUENT EVENT**

# 1. Appropriation of Retained Earnings

The following appropriation of retained earnings at February 28, 2011 was to be approved at the Company's shareholders' meeting held on May 26, 2011:

		Thousands of
	Millions of yen	U.S. dollars (Note 1)
Year-end cash dividends, ¥11 (\$0.134) per share	¥474	\$5,780

# 2. Retirement of Treasury Stock

At a meeting on April 11, 2011, the Company's Board of Directors resolved the retirement of treasury stock, as follows:

Type of shares to be retired: Common stock in the Company

Number of shares to be retired: 3,000,000 shares

Retirement date:

April 20, 2011