# Management's Discussion and Analysis

#### **Net Sales**

Consolidated net sales for the year ended March 31, 2014 were ¥321,761 million, an increase of 8.1% from the previous year

	Millions of Yen	
	2014	2013
Consumer	¥264,404	¥227,861
System Equipment	45,299	41,778
Others	12,058	28,124
Total	¥321,761	¥297,763

### Results by Segment

By operating segment, in the Consumer segment, sales were ¥264,404 million, an increase of 16.0% from the previous year. This segment accounted for 82.2% of net sales.

By business, in the timepiece business, sales increased significantly overall with brands such as G-SHOCK and EDIFICE continuing to perform well, primarily in overseas markets such as North America and China under a stronger global brand strategy. The line-up of watches for women in brands such as Baby-G and SHEEN continued steady growth. In the electronic dictionary business, sales of the EX-word series remained strong, mainly for the student model, and Casio continued to hold the overwhelming No.1 share of the Japanese market. In the electronic musical instrument business, sales of electronic pianos increased steadily.

In the System Equipment segment, sales were ¥45,299 million, an increase of 8.4% from the previous year. In the Others segment, sales were ¥12,058 million, a decrease of 57.1% from the previous year.

## Results of Operations

In income for fiscal 2014, the Consumer segment posted ¥35,504 million in operating income. The timepiece and electronic dictionary businesses maintained high profitability. The System Equipment segment posted an operating loss of ¥1,765 million mainly as a result of cooling of corporate-sector demand. The Others segment posted an operating loss of ¥512 million. As a result, Casio posted ¥26,576 million in consolidated operating income, allowing for adjustments.

Financial expenses amounted to ¥178 million, compared to financial expenses of ¥235 million in the previous fiscal year. Other expenses amounted to ¥3,441 million, compared to other expenses of ¥876 million in the previous fiscal year. The main reason for these changes was an increase of directors' retirement benefits.

Net income amounted to ¥15,989 million.

#### **Financial Condition**

Total assets at the end of March 2014 were ¥366,964 million, largely on a par with the previous fiscal year. Current assets declined by ¥5,584 million to ¥244,135 million, partly as a result of a decrease in inventories. Non-current assets increased by ¥3,226 million to ¥122,829 million, largely as a result of a net defined benefit asset newly recorded and a decrease in deferred tax assets.

Total liabilities decreased 11.5% year-on-year to ¥181,708 million. Current liabilities increased by ¥6,808 million to ¥122,110 million and non-current liabilities declined by ¥30,454 million to ¥59,598 million, due primarily to an increase in notes and accounts payable-trade and transfer of the non-current portion of long-term loans and bonds payable to the current portion of long-term loans and bonds payable. Net assets at year-end rose ¥21,288 million to ¥185,256 million due mainly to an increase in retained earnings.

As a result, the equity ratio was improved to 50.5%, a 6.1 point increase over the previous year.

#### **Cash Flow Analysis**

Cash and cash equivalents at the reporting year-end came to \$114,129 million, an increase of \$16,779 million.

Net cash provided by operating activities amounted to ¥40,107 million, an increase of ¥30,629 million from the previous year. This was mainly due to a decrease in working capital.

Net cash provided by investing activities amounted to ¥8,044 million, an increase of ¥21,421 million from a net cash outflow of ¥13,377 million in the previous year. This was mainly due to an increase in net cash inflow of purchase, sales and redemption of investment securities.

Net cash used in financing activities amounted to ¥38,523 million, a ¥33,828 million worsening from the previous year. This was chiefly attributable to increases in net cash outflow of short-term and long-term loans payable and cash outflow of redemption of bonds.

## **Capital Investment**

Capital investment decreased 27.0% year-on-year to ¥5,574 million. By segment, capital investment came to ¥4,064 million in the Consumer segment, ¥939 million in the System Equipment segment, and ¥221 million in the Others segment.

## **Research & Development**

R&D expenses came to ¥8,352 million. By segment, R&D expenses were ¥3,592 million in the Consumer segment, ¥1,013 million in the System Equipment segment, and ¥7 million in the Others segment.